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THE LEGACY OF SUPERMAN!

The saga of Superman continues even after his death at the hands of Doomsday in the storyline "Funeral for a Friend" and in the one-shot special **SUPERMAN: THE LEGACY OF SUPERMAN #1.**

THE LEGACY OF SUPERMAN is a one-shot special that chronicles how the city of Metropolis and its surviving heroes cope with the aftermath of the Man of Steel's death. Spotlighted are Thorn, Gangbuster, Guardian, and Sinbad. And, Waverider tries to go back in time to prevent the tragedy of Superman's murder.

THE LEGACY OF SUPERMAN is a one-shot 64-page special featuring stories written by Roger Stern, William Messner-Loebs, Jerry Ordway, Karl Kesel, and Dan Jurgens. Pencillers on the Special are Jurgens, Curt Swan, Dennis Janke, Walter Simonson, and Denis Rodier. Inkers are Trevor Scott, Mike Machlan, Joe Rubinstein, Rodier, and Simonson. The cover is by Arthur Adams.

And, in case you missed them the first time around, this month DC reoffers the first three volumes of the SUPERMAN ARCHIVES, each deluxe hardcover volume reprinting four issues of the Golden Age issues of SUPERMAN, from the very first historic issue.

The Man of Steel is dead and gone...but to the heroes and residents of Metropolis, he will never be forgotten!

CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN *MODESTY BLAISE*

Modesty Blaise was once a thief whose skill and acumen allowed her to rise to the top of her own criminal organization. But after a few highly-successful years, she and her right-hand man, Willie Garvin, decided to leave crime behind and retire, living quietly and comfortably in England...until they find that the quiet life is neither easily attained nor deeply desired. Operating free-lance, Modesty and Willie now utilize their talents serving just causes.

In celebration of her 30th anniversary, Modesty Blaise, the world's foremost female fictional super-spy, makes her DC Comics debut as the British government approaches Modesty for her help in a situation they can't handle. Pitted against the unconventional terrorist Gabriel, Modesty and Willie embark on perhaps their most unusual case. The first issue also recaps Modesty's origin.

Though Modesty's espionage adventures have appeared in comic strips, novelizations, and television and theatrical adaptations, they haven't been presented in all-new comic book form—until now!

MODESTY BLAISE is a 3-book Prestige Format miniseries, written by Modesty Blaise writer/creator Peter O'Donnell, with art and painted cover by Bob Dacey, after Dick Giordano.

MODESTY BLAISE...crime and punishment were never so alluring.

Paul Kupperberg, Writer
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Bob Wayne, Director—Retailer Services

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☐ **BATMAN: SHADOW OF THE BAT #10**
An eccentric billionaire has built a Scottish castle outside Gotham and, when Batman intrudes to prevent a murder, he finds himself trapped in a fiendishly challenging mystery. Written by Alan Grant, art by Michael Collins, and inked by Steve Mitchell. Painted cover by Brian Stelfreeze. *(New Format)* #1.75

☐ **DEATHSTROKE, THE TERMINATOR #20**
The nation of Qurac is destroyed in a blast of atomic fire—and Deathstroke is responsible! Devastation and death on an incredible scale in this, the final chapter of the "Nuclear Winter" saga. Written by Marv Wolfman, with art by Steve Erwin and Will Blyberg. Cover by Mike Zeck. *(New Format)* $1.75

☐ **FLASH #74**
There's a new Flash in town and he and Wally must race to prevent a murder at a theme park. Written by Mark Waid, with art and cover by Greg LaRocque and Roy Richardson. $1.25

FLASH #74

☐ **GREEN LANTERN: MOSAIC #10**
John pleads his case to the Guardians to send the cities home. But first he must prove that he has succeeded in his task and united the Mosaic. Failure will mean the cities are doomed to life on Oa and the experiment will continue. Written by Gerard Jones, with art by Cully Hamner, Dan Panosian, and John Floyd. Cover by Hamner and Panosian. $1.25

☐ **HAWKWORLD #32**
Part 6 of the 6-part "Flight's End": As the Netherworld's meta-humans go berserk, Hawkman and Hawkwoman clash with Count Viper to save the Netherworlders from his control. The Hawks succeed...but at a high and tragic price. Written by John Ostrander, with art by Timothy Truman and Tim Bradstreet. Painted cover by Truman. **Final Issue. Look for the new HAWKMAN series, debuting soon.** *(New Format)* $1.75

HAWKWORLD #32

☐ **JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL QUARTERLY #10**
It's four big stories in one big comic, leading off with the JLA in "Time and Chance" by Mark Waid and Rod Whigham. Then Fire and Ice deal with a "Contested Friendship," written by William Messner-Loebs, with art by Scott Benefiel. Flash has to give "Half an Inch," written by Waid, with art by Patrick Zircher. And then learn what happens "When Titans Date," a night on the town, written by Waid, with art by Ty Templeton and Karl Kesel. *80 pages.* $3.50

☐ **PETER CANNON—THUNDERBOLT #7**
Thunderbolt has no time to celebrate the defeat of Shard as other events, including the kidnapping of Cairo DeFrey, force him onto the "Battleground." Written and pencilled by Michael Collins and inked by José Marzan, Jr. Cover by Collins and Marzan, Jr. $1.25

☐ **ROBIN III: CRY OF THE HUNTRESS COLLECTOR'S EDITION #6**
(of a 6-issue miniseries)
Events come to a head, as Robin is the only one who can save the Huntress and Arianna, free the captives, and escape from the KGBeast and King Snake. Also polybagged into this edition is a mini-poster of the Mike Zeck cover for the newsstand edition of the same issue. Written by Chuck Dixon, with art by Tom Lyle and Bob Smith. Reversible movement-enhanced cover by Kelley Jones, Ed Hannigan, and Dick Giordano. $2.50

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ROBIN III: CRY OF THE HUNTRESS NEWSSTAND EDITION #6
(of a 6-issue miniseries)
The newsstand edition of ROBIN III contains the same exciting story as the collector's edition, written by Chuck Dixon, with art by Tom Lyle and Bob Smith, and a dynamic cover by Mike Zeck. $1.25

ROBIN III: CRY OF THE HUNTRESS

THE SPECTRE #4
Jim Corrigan is DEAD—long live the Spectre! But some dark forces drive this spirit of vengeance to exact his dread retribution. And now Amy and Corrigan must survive a look into one another's pasts. Written by John Ostrander, with art and cover by Tom Mandrake. *(New Format)* $1.75

THE SPECTRE #4

STANLEY & HIS MONSTER #2
(of a 4-issue miniseries)
Nyx has found the Monster at Stanley's place and is all set to drag him back to Hell. But the damsel demon hadn't counted on the power of shaggy, chain-smoking ace demon hunter Ambrose Bierce to intercede on the Monster's behalf. Written and pencilled by Phil Foglio and inked by Chuck Fiala. Cover by Foglio and Terry Austin. $1.50

STANLEY & HIS MONSTER #2

STAR TREK™ #44
"Acceptable Risk" finds Kirk on a haunted planet, grappling with a boyhood friend whose arrogance has cost the lives of those he was supposed to lead. Written by Howard Weinstein and Gordon Purcell, with art by Purcell and Carlos Garzón. Cover by Rod Whigham and Jerome Moore. *(New Format)* $1.75

STAR TREK™ #44

SUPERMAN ARCHIVES VOLUME 1
With the current "Funeral for a Friend" storyline continuing in the monthly SUPERMAN titles, now is the best time to look back at the Man of Steel's background and origins. And there's nowhere better to do that than with the stories from the Golden Age SUPERMAN #1-4, as DC relists the classic tales of the landmark super-hero, created by Jerry Siegel and the late Joe Shuster, in the SUPERMAN ARCHIVES. SUPERMAN ARCHIVES VOLUME 1 also features an introduction by Jim Steranko. *272 pages. Hardcover book.* $39.95

SUPERMAN: THE MAN OF STEEL #21
Part 7 of the 8-part "Funeral for a Friend," continued from ACTION COMICS #686. Superman's body turns up at Project Cadmus...where even they fail to detect any signs of life!! But, maybe they can learn what made him so special. Also, the strain of losing his son becomes too much for Pa Kent. **Continued in SUPERMAN #77.** Written by Louise Simonson, with art and cover by Jon Bogdanove and Dennis Janke. $1.25

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SUPERMAN: THE MAN OF STEEL #21

☐ **VALOR #5**
Thanks to L.E.G.I.O.N.'s Vril Dox, Valor must "Go Directly to Jail." Rendered powerless under the red sun system of Starlag II, Valor sends out a distress call that is answered by...the Blasters! Written by Robert Loren Fleming, with art by Jeffrey Moore and Trevor Scott. Cover by Moore and Scott. $1.25

☐ **WONDER WOMAN #72**
As Wonder Woman picks up the pieces of her life, she reflects on her origin, helping her to adjust to the changed world to which she has returned as she reexamines her role as heroine. Written by William Messner-Loebs, with art by Lee Moder and Ande Parks. Cover by Brian Bolland. $1.25

WONDER WOMAN #72

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☐ **BATMAN #490**
The Riddler is back and this time, he's smarter than ever, posing a puzzle so tough even Batman can't crack it—but Bane can. And when Bane gets to the Riddler first, Batman better beware. Written by Doug Moench, with art by Jim Aparo. Cover by Travis Charest. $1.25

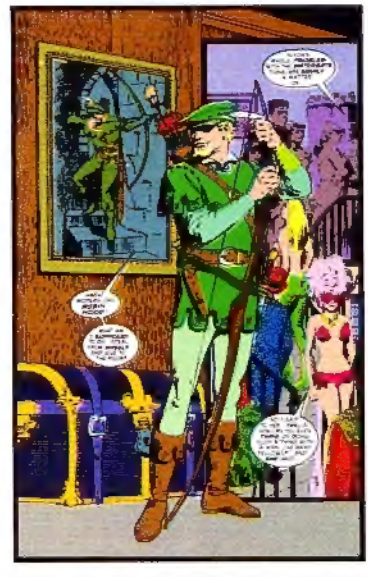
☐ **BLACK CANARY #3**
Part 3 of the 3-part "Hero Worship": Black Canary is in an all-out fight to the finish with super-villain Klik in order to save her friend and end a wave of vicious murders. Written by Sarah E. Byam, with art by Trevor von Eeden and Pam Eklund. Cover by von Eeden. *(New Format)* $1.75

BLACK CANARY #3

☐ **THE DEMON #33**
Lobo's back...and the Demon's got him! This time he isn't fooling around with any wimp nuclear bombs either, as Etrigan and the Main Man team to crush the archfiend Asteroth and his scoundrel pals, Tweedledee and Tweedledum, before heading off together on the road to Hell. Written by Alan Grant, with art by Rich Hedden and Tom McWeeney. Cover by Val Semeiks and Karl Kesel. *(New Format)* $1.75

☐ **ECLIPSO #5**
Bruce Gordon and his Eclipso strike force (including Cave Carson and the Creeper) have fallen into the clutches of Eclipso. Now that they've managed to get into the stronghold of Parador, they may not be able to escape with their lives. Written by Keith Giffen and Robert Loren Fleming, with art by Luke McDonnell and Ray Kryssing. Cover by McDonnell and Kryssing. $1.25

☐ **GREEN ARROW: THE WONDER YEAR #2**
(of a 4-issue miniseries)
Green Arrow's first adventure continues, as readers meet Oliver Queen's first true love, Brianna Stone, a card-carrying revolutionary...and political assassin! Written and pencilled by Mike Grell and inked by Gray Morrow. Painted cover by Grell. *(New Format)* $1.75



GREEN LANTERN CORPS QUARTERLY #4

☐ **GREEN LANTERN CORPS QUARTERLY #4**
In the lead story, a Green Lantern encounters one of his oldest enemies, a magician who wields yellow magic. "Precious" is by Ron Marz, Kirk Jarvinen, and Terry Austin. And Alan Scott and daughter Jade go up against Solomon Grundy in a story by Roger Stern, Jim Balent, and Andrew Pepoy. Then G'nort returns to his alma mater (obedience school) to battle the old school bully and the threat of PHLEEZE, by Michael Eury, Joe James, and Barb Kaalberg. Plus, an untold "History of Sector 2814," by Joe Edkin, Jeff Hetzel, Mac Meyers, Al Gordon and Barb Kaalberg. Cover by Jarvinen and Austin. 64 pages. $2.50.

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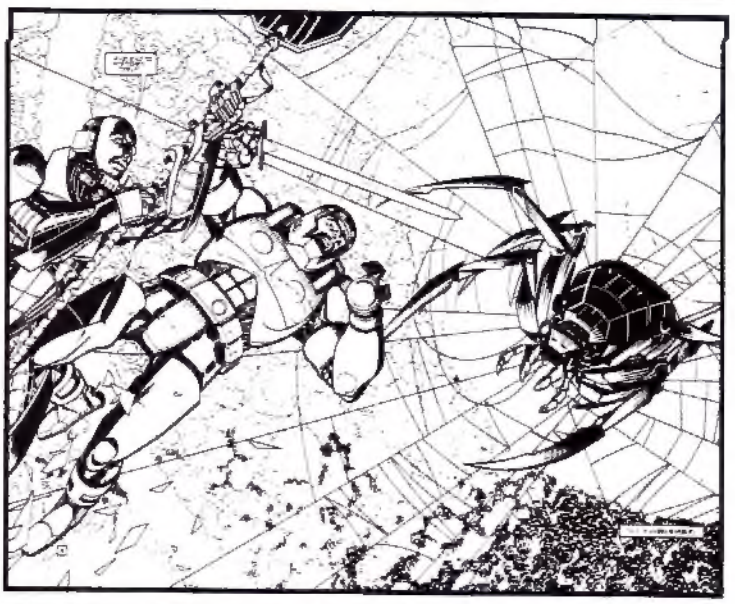
☐ **THE HACKER FILES #8**
(of a 12-issue limited series)
Part 2 of the 4-part "Working-Class Hero": Digitronix's China plant is very efficient—too efficient—and the employee who stumbled on its dark secret is missing. It's up to Hacker to recover the man and stop the insidious scheme. Written by Lewis Shiner, with art by Tom Sutton and Mark Buckingham. Computer art cover by Tom Canty. *(New Format)* $1.95

☐ **HAMMERLOCKE #7**
(of a 9-issue maxiseries)
With the Phade held captive, Tharn's forces storm the Olympus Starbridge, leading to a no-holds-barred battle between Hammerlocke and Tharn...while Cactus Jaq makes a startling discovery. Written by Tom Joyner, with art and cover by Chris Sprouse and K.S. Wilson. *(New Format)* $1.75

☐ **THE HECKLER #7**
Beware, couch potatoes: Cuttin' Edge is invading your TV! The Heckler must stop him if Americans are to be free to stay on their butts! But Cuttin' Edge plans to turn Heckler off and he *succeeds*. The Heckler quits and reveals his deepest secret to the readers. Written by Keith Giffen and Tom & Mary Bierbaum, pencilled by Giffen, and inked by Steve Mitchell. Cover by Giffen and Mitchell. *Final issue!* $1.25

THE HECKLER #7

☐ **JUSTICE LEAGUE AMERICA #72**
The history of the JLA sets the stage for a bizarre adventure featuring the return of several original members of the League—Green Arrow, Black Canary, and the Atom—in one of the strangest adventures of all time. Written and pencilled by Dan Jurgens and inked by Rick Burchett. Cover by Jurgens and Burchett. $1.25



HAMMERLOCKE #7

☐ **THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #41**
The young Legionnaires take center-stage as their first solo adventure begins (and leads into the first issue of LEGIONNAIRES, debuting next month). Plus, new jobs for Cham, Jacques and Sean; happy news for the young Duo Damsel, and a discussion of which group is the original. Written by Tom and Mary Bierbaum, with art by Stuart Immonen, Chris Sprouse, Ron Boyd, and Karl Story. Cover by Sprouse and Story. *(New Format)* $1.75

THE LEGION OF SUPER-HEROES #41

☐ **THE NEW TITANS #95**
While trying to escape the clutches of his father, Red Star undergoes a transformation that forever alters his powers... and endows him with a dynamic new look! Plus, Nightwing takes on a new team of villains, headed by a shadowy villain from the past. Written by Louise Simonson, with art by Phil Jimenez and Ray McCarthy. Cover by Phil Jimenez & Art Nichols. *(New Format)* $1.75

☐ **ROBIN POSTER**
Tim Drake, Batman's protégé and DC's Boy Wonder, stands ready to fight as Robin, one of the most popular characters in the DC Universe. This 22" x 34" poster features art by Tom Lyle and Scott Hanna. $4.95

☐ **SUPERMAN #77**
The conclusion to the 8-part "Funeral for a Friend," continued from SUPERMAN: MAN OF STEEL #21. Pa Kent's medical condition worsens dramatically as he continues mourning his son's death. Written and pencilled by Dan Jurgens and inked by Brett Breeding. Cover by Jurgens and Breeding. $1.25

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ROBIN POSTER

SUPERMAN #77

☐ **SUPERMAN ARCHIVES VOLUME 2**
The second volume of the SUPERMAN ARCHIVES, reprinting SUPERMAN #5-8, by Jerry Siegel and the late Joe Shuster. These stories are classic crime-fighting adventure strips and mark many important occurrences in the life and times of Superman. The introduction to this volume is by comics historian Ron Goulart. *(272 pages, Hardcover book)* $39.95

☐ **WOMEN OF THE DC UNIVERSE POSTER**
Popular artist Adam Hughes (STAR TREK™: DEBT OF HONOR, JUSTICE LEAGUE INTERNATIONAL) brings his knack for drawing sassy females to the WOMEN OF THE DC UNIVERSE POSTER. Catwoman, Supergirl, Wonder Woman, Black Canary and Hawkwoman appear together for the first time in this 22" x 34" poster. $4.95

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☐ **BATMAN: LEGENDS OF THE DARK KNIGHT #43**
Part 2 of the 2-part "Hothouse": Batman is falling under the spell of *someone*... but is it Poison Ivy or the vicious drug dealer Dominique, who's already forcing Ivy to serve her own ends? The secret, as well as the only hope for saving Batman's life and sanity, lies in Seattle and Ivy's tragic past. Written by John Francis Moore, with art and cover by P. Craig Russell. *(Deluxe Format)* $1.75

LEGENDS OF THE DARK KNIGHT #43

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☐ **BLACK CONDOR #10**
The Ray and a crazed Black Condor are locked in a desperate battle as the Ray struggles to save Philadelphia from the rampaging Condor. Only, the harder Ray fights...the more powerful the Condor becomes! Written by Brian Augustyn, with art by Rags Morales and Richard Space. Cover by Morales. $1.25

☐ **GREEN LANTERN #37**
"The Final Game" features Hal Jordan and Guy Gardner fighting side by side, when a huge and powerful being from another dimension breaks through to our world during the final game of the football season. It's first down and the end of the world to go. Written by Gerard Jones, with art and cover by Mark Badger and Romeo Tanghal. $1.25

GREEN LANTERN #37

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L.E.G.I.O.N. '93 #50
It's **Lobo** and Dox out for revenge against the evil Ig'nea in this super-giant-sized special 50th issue! She's kidnapped Stealth's baby, killed Stealth, and if the L.E.G.I.O.N. can't stop her, she'll kill the baby too! Written by Mark Waid, with art by Kitson, Denis Rodier and Robin Smith. Plus, a special "lost" tale of L.E.G.I.O.N. '67 by Alan Grant and Denis Rodier. Cover by Kitson and Smith. *(64 pages. New Format)* $3.50

L.E.G.I.O.N. '93 #50

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SHOWCASE '93 #3
(of a 12-issue maxiseries)
In part 3 of the 4-part **Catwoman** solo story, Selina Kyle has her hands full with Gotham's newest crime czar, machine gun-toting hoods, crooked cops, and a mob of vigilante Gothamites, when who should appear but a certain Boy Wonder. Written by Doug Moench, with art by Ed Hannigan and Fred Fredericks. Then, in part 3 of **Blue Devil's** 6-part adventure, he teams with the Justice League to fight the Ironmongers. Written by Dan Mishkin and Gary Cohn, with art by Pete Moriarty and Dan Davis. **Flash** stars in "Delay of Game," as Wally West enters an environment where everyone has been slowed to immobility, in a story written by Michael J. Martineck, pencilled by hot DARKSTARS artist Travis Charest and inked by Dan Davis. Cover by Brian Bolland. 48 pages $1.95

SHOWCASE '93 #3

STAR TREK®: THE NEXT GENERATION™ #44
With the saucer section and the battle section reunited, the crew of the *USS Enterprise*™ must find ways to get on with their disrupted lives. Written by Michael Jan Friedman, with art by Peter Krause and Pablo Marcos. Cover by Jason Palmer and Karl Kesel. *(New Format)* $1.75

STAR TREK®: THE NEXT GENERATION™ #44

TEAM TITANS #6
In the spirit of the Christmas season, the Team Titans seek their "other selves" in the DC Universe and discover who they would have been had Lord Chaos never ruled their world. Written by Marv Wolfman, with art by Art Nichols and Will Blyberg. Cover by Phil Jimenez. *(New Format)* $1.75

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THE BATMAN ADVENTURES #6
Robin makes a guest appearance in THE BATMAN ADVENTURES as Bruce Wayne is accused of murder! He's in jail and the situation seems hopeless... and his only hope for acquittal is in the hands of his young partner. Written by Kelley Puckett with art by Brad Rader, storyboard artist on *Batman: The Animated Series*, and Rick Burchett. Cover by Burchett. $1.25

CRUCIBLE #2
(of a 6-issue miniseries)
After two years, The Black Hood has finally tracked down The Comet... but can he bring himself to kill the Comet in cold blood? If not, he risks the fulfillment of the Tomorrow Men's prophecy that the Comet will turn into the deadliest menace the world has ever known. Written by Brian Augustyn and Mark Waid, with art by Joe Quesada, Chuck Wojtkiewicz, and Jimmy Palmiotti. Cover by Quesada and Palmiotti. $1.25

THE DARKSTARS #6
The Darkstars team with The Golden Age Hawkman and Hawkwoman as their assault on the slave station continues in their united effort to free the captured slaves. Written by Michael Jan Friedman, with art and cover by Travis Charest and Scott Hanna. *(New Format)* $1.75

DETECTIVE COMICS #657
Part 1 of the 2-part "The Cypher Configuration": Batman is down for the count, leaving Robin and his new partner Azrael to confront the menace of Cypher, an industrial spy and corporate terrorist who plans to destroy the Wayne organization from within. Written by Chuck Dixon, with art by Michael Netzer and Scott Hanna. Cover by Sam Kieth. $1.25

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☐ **GREEN ARROW #72**
Conclusion of the 2-part "Wild in the Streets": The mysterious legend of Shamanus is exposed by a Brazilian research biologist in search of a rare black panther...that's on a rampage through the streets of Seattle, and is about to rip out Green Arrow's throat! Written by Mike Grell, with art by Rick Hoberg and John Nyberg. Cover by Grell. *(New Format)* $1.75

GREEN ARROW #72

☐ **GUY GARDNER #6**
Who'll capture Goldface first...Guy or special guest star Green Lantern Hal Jordan? Guy follows a clue to an old western town full of deadly traps that lead to Goldface's gang of aliens. One gets hold of Guy's ring...and plans to use it on him! Written by Gerard Jones and Will Jacobs, with art and cover by Joe Staton and Terry Beatty. $1.25

☐ **JUSTICE LEAGUE EUROPE #48**
Part 4 of the 6-part "Red Winter": Sonar has seized control of much of Russia and accelerates his plans to destabilize the former Soviet Union. While Elongated Man lies at death's door, the League members make their way to confront the villain and rescue Flash, Dr. Light and Sue Dibny from his thrall. Guest starring the Justice Society. Written by Gerard Jones, with art by Ron Randall, Mike Parobeck, and Randy Elliott. Cover by Randall and Elliott. $1.25

GUY GARDNER #6

☐ **JUSTICE SOCIETY OF AMERICA #8**
In "Pyramid Scheme," Hawkman and Hawkwoman make a weird discovery in an ancient Egyptian tomb, while Hourman and Johnny Quick defend a hospital from a super-powered hate group. Written by Len Strazewski, with art and cover by Mike Parobeck and Mike Machlan. $1.25

☐ **MODESTY BLAISE #1**
(of a 3-issue miniseries)
Criminal masterminds Modesty Blaise and Willie Garvin are asked by the British government to come out of retirement in order to take on the menace of Gabriel and end his worldwide string of political kidnapping and murder. Written by Modesty Blaise creator, newspaper strip writer/novelist Peter O'Donnell, with art and cover by Dick Giordano. *(Prestige Format)* $4.95

MODESTY BLAISE #1

☐ **SCARLETT #3**
Part 4 of the 5-part "Blood of Innocence": Bly Pharis is dead, a stake driven through her heart. Hope for the birth of the Scarlett Redeemer, immortal slayer of vampires, may have died with her. In the Arizona desert, a supernatural maelstrom builds as warring factions of human and undead strike to either kindle that hope...or see it crushed forever. The newest of the factions is the hi-tech soldiers of S.A.V.E. (Society for Advancement of Vampire Ecology). Written by Tom Joyner and K.S. Wilson, with art and cover by Jim Fern. *(New Format)* $1.75

☐ **SUPERMAN ARCHIVES VOLUME 3**
SUPERMAN #9-12 are reprinted in this third volume of this landmark series, which also features an introduction by Golden Age Superman artist Jack Burnley. *(272 pages. Hardcover book)* $39.95

☐ **SUPERMAN: THE LEGACY OF SUPERMAN #1**
This one-shot special, featuring contributions from great Superman writers and artists past and present, offers five glimpses into the lives of the heroes of Metropolis after the death of Superman! Living up to the legend and responsibility left by the Man of Steel proves both difficult and revealing for Thorn, Gangbuster, Guardian, and Sinbad. Meanwhile, Waverider wants to go back in time to prevent Superman's death. Written by Roger Stern, William Messner-Loebs, Jerry Ordway, Karl Kesel, and Jurgens, with art by Jurgens, Curt Swan, Dennis Janke, Walter Simonson, Denis Rodier, Trevor Scott, Mike Machlan, Joe Rubinstein. Cover by Arthur Adams. *(64 pages)* $2.50

☐ **TIMBER WOLF #5**
(of a 5-issue miniseries)
Everything comes together in the conclusion of this miniseries as Timber Wolf goes head to head with the deadly Dominators. But first, he must deal with a fearsome physical change and battle the power-enhanced Captain Flag. Written by Al Gordon, with art and cover by Joe Phillips and Gordon. $1.25

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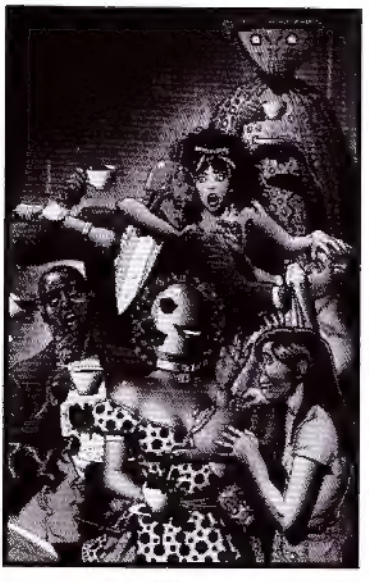
☐ **DEATH T-SHIRT**
Death, the most cheerful anthropomorphism on this or any other plane, stars on her second T-shirt. Featuring original artwork by Chris Bachalo, artist of Vertigo's new 3-issue miniseries, the DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING, this 100% black cotton shirt is available in Medium, Large, and Extra-Large. $14.95

☐ **DOOM PATROL #64**
Beginning the 3-part "Sliding in the Wreckage." Dorothy Spinner, trapped in a hostile land, conjures up an imaginary Doom Patrol to battle a mob of terrifying apparitions. Written by novelist and poet Rachel Pollack, with art by Richard Case and Stan Woch. Painted cover by new regular cover artist Brian Bolland, with an added fifth color. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format)* $1.75



DOOM PATROL #64

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☐ **HELLBLAZER #63**
He's left a trail of dead friends and powerful enemies all his life, and now John Constantine is turning forty. Swamp Thing, the Phantom Stranger, and Zatanna will be on hand, but will Constantine survive the occasion? Written by Garth Ennis, with art by Steve Dillon. Painted cover by Glenn Fabry with an added fifth metallic color. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format.)* $1.75

HELLBLAZER #63

☐ **THE SANDMAN #47**
In Part 7 of "Brief Lives," the Endless hold a family reunion as Dream and Delirium's quest for their long-lost brother Destruction comes to a close. Written by Neil Gaiman, with art by Jill Thompson and Vince Locke. Painted cover by Dave McKean with an added fifth metallic color. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format.)* $1.75

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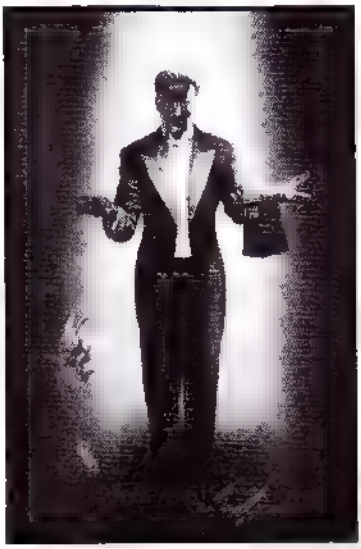
☐ **ANIMAL MAN #57**
Buddy Baker, Cliff, and Maxine take a walk on the real wild side—the local mall—where they encounter rampaging religious zealots, animal exploiters, and mindless consumerism. A darkly funny outing written by Jamie Delano with art by Steve Pugh. Painted cover by Brian Bolland with an added fifth color. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format.)* $1.75

☐ **BOOKS OF MAGIC TRADE PAPERBACK**
Tim Hunter may be the next great sorcerer of this era, but he's not sure he wants to be. In order to make an informed decision, Tim is taken on a guided tour of the past, present, and probable futures of the DC Universe by the "trenchcoat brigade" the Phantom Stranger, John Constantine, Dr. Occult, and Mister E. Along the way Tim meets many of DC's supernatural characters, including The Spectre, Dream, Deadman, Doctor Fate, Zatanna, and Death. The collected volume features an introduction by Roger Zelazny, author of *The Chronicles of Amber* series of fantasy novels. Written by Neil Gaiman, with art by John Bolton, Scott Hampton, Charles Vess, and Paul Johnson. Cover features a foil-enhanced design created by original series designer Richard Bruning. *(Suggested for mature readers. 200 pages. Trade paperback.)* $19.95



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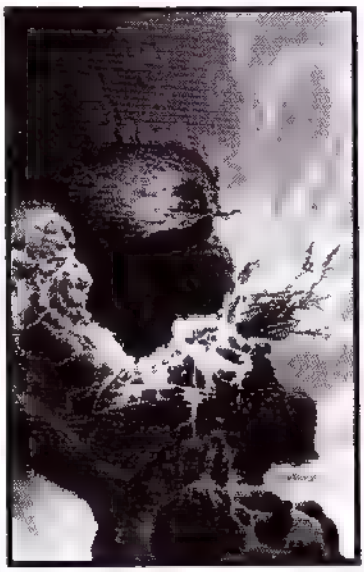
THE SANDMAN #47

☐ **SWAMP THING #129**
In Part 1 of "Swamp Fever," a hallucinating Swamp Thing, poisoned by toxic waste and cut off from the Green, must shamble his way home, reliving the most horrible moments of his life while undergoing radical mutations. Written by Nancy A. Collins, with art by Scot Eaton and Kim DeMulder. Painted cover by new regular cover artist Charles Vess with an added fifth color. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format.)* $1.75



SWAMP THING #129

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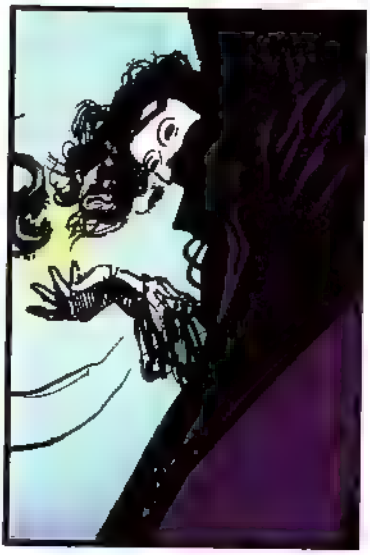
DEATH POSTER

☐ **DOOM PATROL POSTER**
It doesn't get any weirder than this On second thought, eventually it probably will, so you'd better catch them frozen in the moment The Doom Patrol family portrait is by pencil er Richard Case and inker Stan Woch $4 95

DOOM PATROL POSTER

☐ **ENIGMA #1**
(of an 8-issue maxiseries)
Once, The Enigma was Michael Smith s favorite comic book Somehow, The Enigma has come to life, and Michael has given up every tie from his previous life to embark on a quest for. .what? The Enigma? Himself? Meaning in a meaningless world? Written by Peter Milligan with art by Duncan Fegredo and full process color by Sherilyn van Valkenburgh Painted cover by Duncan Fegredo with an added fifth metallic color *(Suggested for mature readers Deluxe Format)* $2 50



ENIGMA #1

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SHIPPING DECEMBER 29, 1992

VERTIGO PREVIEW
Featuring a new 7-page SANDMAN story by Neil Gaiman and Kent Williams, this introduction to DC's new line of cutting-edge titles includes exclusive pages from Vertigo's first wave, including DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING, ENIGMA, SANDMAN MYSTERY THEATRE, MERCY, KID ETERNITY, SEBASTIAN O, and BLACK ORCHID, as well as pages from HELLBLAZER, ANIMAL MAN, DOOM PATROL, SWAMP THING, and SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format)* $.75

VERTIGO PREVIEW

SHIPPING JANUARY 12, 1993

DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING #1
(of a 3-issue miniseries)
One day every century, Death of the Endless takes on a mortal frame, to better comprehend how lives she takes must feel. This time, she chooses to experience the bitter tang of mortality on the bustling and often-perilous streets of New York. Written by SANDMAN writer Neil Gaiman, with striking art by Chris Bachalo and Mark Buckingham, and color by Steve Oliff. Painted cover by Dave McKean with an added fifth metallic color. *(Suggested for mature readers. Deluxe Format)* $1.95

DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING #1

SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN #33
In Part 1 of the 3-part "Birth Pains," Shade is reborn into the body of an insane man with the "help" of his girlfriend Kathy and *her* girlfriend Lenny. With a new fire in his soul, a madder and more confident Shade now faces a new danger: the kidnapping of the only woman he ever really loved. Written by Peter Milligan, with art by returning regular penciller Chris Bachalo and Mark Buckingham. Painted cover by Chris Bachalo with an added fifth color. *(Suggested for mature readers. New Format)* $1.75

SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN #33

SHIPPING JANUARY 19, 1993

DEATH POSTER
Death smiles, as if she's glad to be alive. This portrait of the Sandman's older sister is illustrated by Chris Bachalo, artist of Vertigo's new miniseries, DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING, premiering this month. $4.95

DEATH COMES TO LIFE

She is Dream's elder sister, the one who will end the Endless —the one who closes up the Universe when Destiny reads the last word on the last page of his book. She is Death.

There is a rumor that on one day of every century, Death clothes herself in mortal flesh and walks among the living. It is, they say, the price she pays for being the one who separates all that came before from all that will continue. It turns out that this rumor is true. This century, Death comes to New York.

In DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING, a 3-issue Deluxe Format miniseries, SANDMAN scribe Neil Gaiman, SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN penciller Chris Bachalo, inker Mark Buckingham (artist of Gaiman's *Miracleman* stories), and colorist Steve Oliff depict a day in the life of Death.

Each issue of DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING will feature a painted cover by SANDMAN cover artist Dave McKean. Issue #1 will be printed with a striking fifth metallic color.

LIFE IMITATES COMIC ART

Art imitates life; sometimes, life imitates art. Under rare and ominous conditions, the two become inextricably wound into each other, a snake eating its own tail. In ENIGMA, it's even stranger than that—comic art comes to life.

Enigma is an existential super-hero, an extraordinary man in a less than extraordinary world. Enigma is a character from Michael Smith's favorite comic book. Michael has left behind his old world—home, job, girlfriend—to find the Enigma, and to find the world within himself. It is a strange, terrifying, exhilarating journey of self-discovery, one that may well be Michael Smith's last chance to find meaning in a seemingly meaningless world.

Your tour guides through the world of ENIGMA are co-creators Peter Milligan, writer of SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN and Tundra's *Skin*, and Duncan Fegredo, artist of the KID ETERNITY miniseries. Sherilyn van Valkenburgh, color artist of BATMAN VS. PREDATOR, provides the full process color. One of the first new projects in the Vertigo line, ENIGMA is an 8-issue limited series in DC's Deluxe Format. Duncan Fegredo provides the fully painted covers, and issue #1 will be printed with a striking fifth metallic color.

The most dangerous journey is the journey within. At the heart of it lies an Enigma.

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EXPERIENCE VERTIGO

At first, everything seems normal. Then, there's a subtle twist in perspective, all the lights pinwheel, and colors shift up the spectrum towards an ominous red. There is no horizon, no up or down.

Vertigo.

Forms emerge from the mists: Dream, dressed in black, and his smiling, white-faced sister; the Swamp Thing, dressed in weeds. John Constantine, Hellblazer. There's The Enigma, the most remarkable man ever born; an ape-faced child filled with great power and greater fear; Animal Man, who feels the pulse of the bioverse beating in his veins; and the Changing Man, who chased after madness until it caught him. They're all here.

DC unveils Vertigo, a line of sophisticated comics for mature readers. Vertigo begins with the critically-acclaimed titles THE SANDMAN, HELLBLAZER, SHADE, THE CHANGING MAN, DOOM PATROL, ANIMAL MAN, and SWAMP THING, and will quickly expand to encompass nearly two dozen new ongoing series, miniseries, and graphic novels during 1993.

To mark the debut of the Vertigo line, DC presents the VERTIGO PREVIEW, a $.75 New Format comic featuring an all-new 7-page SANDMAN tale by Neil Gaiman and Kent Williams. It also includes exclusive pages from upcoming titles DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING, ENIGMA, SANDMAN MYSTERY THEATRE, MERCY, KID ETERNITY, SEBASTIAN O, and BLACK ORCHID. Then sneak a peek at the existing monthly VERTIGO titles, all of which will have accessible entry points in the storyline in January. Plus, information about other 1993 Vertigo projects.

Vertigo is here. Step over the edge.